

# 386(4) : General Methodology for Magnetostatics

In general:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = 0 \quad - (1)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B} = \mu_0 \underline{J} \quad - (2)$$

$$\underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} - \underline{\omega} \times \underline{A} \quad - (3)$$

and the antisymmetry law:

$$\frac{\partial A_z}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial z} = \omega_y A_z + \omega_z A_y \quad - (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} = \omega_z A_x + \omega_x A_z \quad - (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} = \omega_x A_y + \omega_y A_x \quad - (6)$$

Define:  $\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\alpha} = \underline{\omega} \times \underline{A} = \underline{B}_2 \quad - (7)$

so  $\underline{B} = \underline{B}_1 - \underline{B}_2 \quad - (8)$

also  $\underline{B}_1 = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} \quad - (9)$

$$\underline{B}_2 = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{\alpha} \quad - (10)$$

It follows that:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = 0 \quad - (11)$$

a.e.d.

Define:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}_1 = \mu_0 \underline{J}_1 \quad - (12)$$

$$\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}_2 = \mu_0 \underline{J}_2 \quad - (13)$$

Here  $\underline{J}_1$  is the standard model current density and  $\underline{J}_2$  is the current density due to the spin interaction. This is the current density due to the matter or spacetime.

It follows as in Jackson chapter 5 that:

$$\underline{B}_1(\underline{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \underline{\nabla} \times \int \frac{\underline{J}_1(\underline{x}')}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (14)$$

$$\underline{B}_2(\underline{x}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \underline{\nabla} \times \int \frac{\underline{J}_2(\underline{x}')}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (15)$$

so

$$\underline{A} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\underline{J}_1(\underline{x}')}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (16)$$

$$\underline{d} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int \frac{\underline{J}_2(\underline{x}')}{|\underline{x} - \underline{x}'|} d^3x' \quad (17)$$

Using eq. (7), it follows that:

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\omega} \times \underline{A} = \underline{0} \quad (18)$$

P. E. D.

Reverse the methodology is to choose a vector potential  $\underline{A}$ , use the antisymmetry relations to calculate  $\underline{\omega}$ , and calculate the extra magnetic field due to the spin media, matter or vacuum:

$$\underline{B}_2 = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d} = \underline{\omega} \times \underline{A} \quad - (19)$$

Compute  $\underline{d}$  from eq. (19) and find the current density  $\underline{J}_2$  from:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d}) = \mu_0 \underline{J}_2 \quad - (20)$$

This procedure automatically ensures consistency, eqs. (4) to (6), and automatically obeys eq. (1) and eq. (2). It is not necessary to compute  $\underline{d}$  because the vacuum, matter, or spacetime current density can be computed from:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\omega} \times \underline{A}) = \mu_0 \underline{J}_2 \quad - (21)$$

The only constraint on this method is that eqs. (4) to (6) must be soluble, and must be exactly determined, i.e. three equations in three unknowns,  $\omega_x, \omega_y, \omega_z$ . The components  $A_x, A_y$  and  $A_z$  are known, because they are taken from any standard potential:

$$\underline{B}_1 = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} \quad - (22)$$

For example, for a static magnetic field:

$$\underline{A} = \frac{B_0}{2} (-y \underline{i} + x \underline{j}) \quad - (23)$$

+) and as shown in previous work:

$$\underline{\omega} = - \left( \frac{1}{x} \underline{i} + \frac{1}{y} \underline{j} \right) - (24)$$

It follows that:

$$\underline{B}_2 = - \frac{B^{(0)}}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \underline{i} & \underline{j} & \underline{k} \\ 1/x & 1/y & 0 \\ -y & x & 0 \end{vmatrix} = -B^{(0)} \underline{k} - (25)$$

and  $\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d} = -B^{(0)} \underline{k} - (26)$

so  $\underline{d} = - \frac{B^{(0)}}{2} (-y \underline{i} + x \underline{j}) - (27)$

It follows that:

$$\underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} - \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d} = 2B^{(0)} \underline{k} - (28)$$

and is a static magnetic field, Q.E.D. It also follows

that:  $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A} - \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d}) = 0 - (29)$

Q.E.D. Finally eqs. (23) and (24) combine to

antisymmetric equations (4) to (6), Q.E.D.

In the case of the static magnetic field:

$$\underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{d}) = \mu_0 \underline{J}_2 = \underline{0} - (30)$$

and  $\underline{\nabla} \times (\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}) = \mu_0 \underline{J}_1 = \underline{0} - (31)$

5) so for the static magnetic field:

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{B} = 0 \quad - (32)$$

$$\nabla \times \underline{B} = \underline{0} \quad - (33)$$

but the scalar potential is not zero.

Finally consider the potential of the static dipole field:

$$\underline{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{4} \left( \frac{-y \underline{i}}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} + \frac{x \underline{j}}{(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \right)$$

on constant surfaces:

$$R_0^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \text{constant} \quad - (35)$$

$$\text{so: } \underline{A} = \frac{\mu_0 I a^2}{4 R_0^3} \left( -y \underline{i} + x \underline{j} \right) \quad - (36)$$

This is the vector potential on a spherical surface at a constant distance  $R_0$  from a circular loop.

Note that eqs. (23) and (36) are of some

provided that 
$$\underline{B}^{(0)} = \frac{2\mu_0 I a^2}{4 R_0^3} \quad - (37)$$

so the above analysis of eq. (23) also applies to eq. (36). It would be interesting to use eq. (23) in eqs. (4) to (6) in order to find the general  $\omega$ .